

SHORT COMMUNICATION

Hibiscus* sp. Ninghan Station (A.A. Mitchell 1161) is synonymous with *Radyera farragei

Hibiscus sp. Ninghan Station (A.A. Mitchell 1161) (Malvaceae) was added to Western Australia's vascular plant census in 2012 and was subsequently listed as Priority One under Department of Parks and Wildlife Conservation Codes for Western Australian Flora (Smith 2013). A recent examination of this entity has revealed that it is conspecific with *Radyera farragei* (F.Muell.) Fryxell & S.H.Hashmi (Malvaceae), an erect shrub characterised by recurved epicalyx lobes and an undivided style (*cf.* terminally divided in *Hibiscus* L.). *Radyera farragei* is a widespread species, occurring in all mainland states and territories except for Queensland and the Australian Capital Territory. It is the only species of *Radyera* Bullock in Australia; the other species in the genus, *R. urens* (L.f.) Bullock, is native to South Africa.

Hibiscus sp. Ninghan Station will be removed from Western Australia's vascular plant census and the *Threatened and Priority Flora list for Western Australia*.

References

Smith, M.G. (2013). *Threatened and Priority Flora list for Western Australia*. (Department of Parks and Wildlife: Kensington, Western Australia.)

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